

The Regular meeting of the Town Assembly of the Village of Arden was convened at 7:30 PM on September 24 1990, Chairman William Press presiding.

In Attendance were:

William Press	Yvonne King	Lew Aumack
Sally Hamburger	Aaron Hamburger	Frank Akutowicz
Irene O'Connor	Jean K. Brachman	June Kleban
Rae F. Gerstine	Bernie Brachman	Tim Colgan
Elizabeth Varley	Edythe Berman	Pr. Patrick M. Mullin
Marianne Cinaglia	Betty Knott	W. Vandever
William Bailey	Eugene Shaw	Richard Pell
Sally Thurston	Joan Colgan	Helen Macklem
Lee Starr	Susan Rohrbach	Shaul Gladstone
Betty Cirker	Leon Tanzer	Kate Threefoot
Frances K. Trench	Art Hurwitz	Steven Threefoot
Frank Young	Barbara Fenske	Ruth F.Bean
Gail Rinehart	Ethel Monfort	Sandy Wright
Greg Condiff	Mary Brent Whipple	Lanier Colgan
Paul Thompson	Maryellen Jobson	Larry Walker
Pete A. Renzetti	Connie W. McKinney	Tom Colgan
Cy Liberman	Carolyn P. Liberman	John Demsey

The meeting was opened by Chairman, William Press at 7:30 PM. Elizabeth Varley, Safety Committee chairperson, then introduced Sgt. Patrick Mullin, the policeman assigned to Arden at this time. Sgt. Mullin has been given a map of Arden and will routinely drive through Arden when he can. He is available for any public relations problems concerning Arden and can be reached at 571-7930. Please continue to dial 911 for immediate emergencies.

Agenda Clarification

Steven Threefoot commented on the difficulties that people with young children encounter with babysitting during the school year, that can prevent them from attending Town Assembly. Barbara Fenske suggested a sharing of babysitting with Ardentown residents as their Town meetings do not conflict with those of Arden.

Approval of June Town Assembly minutes - minutes approved.

Trustees Report - Shaul Gladstone:

To: The Town Assembly of the Village of Arden  
 From: The Trustees  
 Date: September 24 1990

1. The Village taxes will be paid on September 21 1990. These consist of \$146,233.21, and may be broken down as follows:
 

School Taxes .....	\$103,536.00
County Property Taxes:	
Directly to County.....	\$32,439.00
Rebates to Seniors.....	\$9,022.00
Rebates for Double Payments..	\$1,236.00

Senior citizen rebates to 27 recipients will be paid at the same time, Twenty four seniors are eligible for a maximum of \$342.49, while three others will receive checks ranging from \$214.06 to \$321.08.

2. An estimate for administrative expenses in the amount of \$17,379.00 has been submitted to the Budget Committee for inclusion in the 1991-92 budget. \$9879.00 of the above is for staff salaries and office rent and represents a 5% increase in salaries over the current year. The remaining \$7500.00 is for insurance, required auditing, legal fees and miscellaneous.
3. Interest income for 1991-92 is estimated at \$12,000.00 and assumes an average interest rate of 8% for the period.
4. Certificates of Deposit in the amount of \$210,000.00 will be coming due between now and October 2. The proceeds will be used to pay taxes, with the excess being re-invested.
5. Two requests for splitting lots, on which two or more houses exist, have been received. These are under consideration at the present time.
6. Reports have been received of repairs being made to septic tank systems and related drainage fields. We would like to remind all residents that the sewer district regulations forbid such repairs. If an operating septic system becomes non-functional the law requires immediate hook-up of the affected property to the sewer system.
7. The Trustees have received written and verbal expressions of deep concern regarding the June 25 Board of Assessors report. This concern stems from the footnote indicating that one member of the Board, having signed the legally required oath of office, indicated that he did not believe in "the Georgist's principles of a single tax system" for determining the full rental value of Arden land. It was suggested by our correspondent that the Town Assembly require candidates for the Board to sign the oath of office after accepting the nomination rather than after being elected. While the Trustees agree with this suggestion, we are not certain that its implementation would prevent a repetition of the current situation. Apparently the assessor mentioned above did eventually sign the oath, but then proceeded to disavow any belief in the system, a position he had made clear before the election, at the time of his nomination. The Trustees would like to make clear their long-held position that the Board of Assessors is not the proper vehicle for changing Arden's assessment method. A long, intricate, and expensive change in the Deed of Trust, the Act to Reincorporate the Village of Arden, and the individual leases would be required. The following quotations should make the legality of the position crystal clear, and should re-inforce the 90 years of precedent involved:
  - a) Deed of Trust - - - The lease in each case to reserve, as rent, the full rental value of the premises demised by said lease; to pay all



State and local taxes out of and from the rents received ---

- b) Deed of Trust ---to apply all sums of money received as rents, in excess of the amount needed for the purpose of paying the taxes, to such common uses desired by a majority of the residents ---
  - c) Arden Lease --"the yearly rent shall be such amount as shall be assessed against said lot by the Assessors of Arden ---- said assessment shall equal, as nearly as may be, the full rental value of the land, excluding improvements ----"
  - d) Court of Chancery case "Ross v. Freeman 7/23/35" ----  
 "The purpose of the (Arden) trust was to found a village --- and to adopt in said village, in so far as practicable under existing laws, the system of land tenure and taxation advocated by Henry George, and known as the single tax" ----which its well known originator had advocated in his book entitled "Progress and Poverty" ----"
  - e) Court of Chancery case "Broeker v. Ware" (12/19/42) --"  
 the contention is emphasized that the community was thus intended to demonstrate, in a practical way, the operation of the Single Tax Theory ----"
  - f) Del Code Chapter 125 - An Act to Reincorporate the Village of Arden - 10-13-67 ---  
 Section 7 (c) - "The duties of the Board of Assessors, shall consist of assessing the full rental value of leased lands in the Village."  
 Section 7 (d) - "The Assessors shall, before assuming office, take an oath of office --- in the following form - "I --- do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will faithfully perform and discharge my duties as Assessor of Arden to the best of my ability and that I will as nearly as possible assess the full rental value for Arden lands as required by the Deed of Trust and the and the Leases of Arden."
8. To sum up, the Trustees believe that there are two courses open to potential dissident candidates for the Board of Assessors:
- (a) If you believe in the Henry George system of land valuation taxation, but believe it is being wrongly applied, then by all means run for the Board and sign the oath if elected.
  - (b) If you do not believe in the Henry George system of land valuation taxation, do not run for the Board - instead, present a plan to the Town Assembly for changing the basic contracts and laws pertaining to Arden, bearing in mind, the weight of precedent and the pertinent court decisions.

Respectfully submitted,  
 Arden Trustees  
 Shaul Gladstone

Assessors Committee: no report

Audit: no report

Budget Committee: Kate Threefoot

The Budget, itemized below, is for the expenditure of town funds for the fiscal year beginning March 25, 1991 and ending March 24 1992.

Arden's estimated income is \$237,450. Of that amount, \$212,000 is land rent income, \$13,450 is Delaware Municipal Street Aid and \$12,000 is interest on Reserve Funds. \$148,000 is reserved for county and school taxes, \$17,415 is reserved for Trustees Administrative expenses, and \$10,528 from Municipal street aid is committed funds and not subject to budgeting. Amount remaining for budgeting is \$61,507. Report: accepted  
Buzz Ware Village Center: Connee Wright McKinney

Our committee has an update tonight on our fall programming and on the questionnaire on future uses of the BWVC. We have several Saturday night events scheduled for this fall; all of the events are in Room 4 at the BWVC and are free of charge.

On October 6, we are sponsoring a Will Writing Workshop conducted by Joseph Flickinger, current Register of Wills for New Castle County: he will distribute printed materials in addition to his presentation. Mr. Flickinger volunteers his time and has given over 100 of these workshops to area groups. All procrastinators are welcome.

On October 13 at 7:15 pm, we are continuing our travelogue series with a slide presentation on "Indians of the American Southwest" by Bernie and June Kleban. The Klebans have made countless trips to that area and have much to show us of its cultural richness and beauty.

On October 27 at 7:15 pm, a slide presentation on "Travels to China before Tiananmen: A loving View" by peripatetic Bernie and June Kleban. Knowing the Klebans, one can imagine there will be a sequel to this.

Coming up, December 1 at 7:15 pm. a slide presentation on her trip to Equador and collecting Gesneria (African Violets) with Elizabeth Varley Walker. Join us for this South American Journey and see what those sad plants on your windowsill should look like.

On August 24, our committee with the help of many volunteers distributed 837 questionnaires to all the residents of the three Ardens: the purpose was to find out in greater detail the opinion of residents for future uses of the BWVC. To date, we have received back 185 questionnaires. On September 17, we opened all of the envelopes and assigned each questionnaire a number. We have one page tally sheet with the same number for every questionnaire. At this point, all of the one page tally sheets are done and we are moving that information into a database so that we can make a final report on the results - about 1/3 of that is done. We would have liked to give a final report on the results of the questionnaire this evening, but we really are not



ready to do that until the January Town Meeting for several reasons. One, we are still carrying out our follow-up and are continuing to receive back questionnaires from Arden. We do not want to influence those responses by our report. Two, on September 10 and September 20, we attended the Ardentown and Ardencroft town meetings to encourage their participation and would like to give those residents more time to respond. We began our follow-up in Ardencroft on the 20th, and finally, we want to do the job right and that is going to take some time: there were many thoughtful and insightful comments. We are sincerely appreciative of your responses and are delighted that so many have been returned. We hope for the town's indulgence in this delay in our report and in our recommendation on establishing a maintenance set-aside for the BWVC.

I would like to correct a mistake in the background information on the flip side of the letter. When the building was used as a public kindergarten, it was part of the Mt. Pleasant School District and not the Brandywine School District. Our thanks to Hardy Hoegger of Ardentown for noticing it.

In addition to the ACRA Summer Program, there have been 24 meetings and 1 special event since the June town meeting. Please call Ruth Bean to schedule in advance.

Respectfully submitted: Connee Wright McKinney - report accepted.

#### Civic Committee Report: Lou Bean Chairman

Most of the goals the civic committee set for itself this year have been carried out. This includes the installation of six speed humps and major surface repairs at three road intersections. Potholes were patched, blacktop berms were repaired and ruts and holes along roadsides were filled with quarry waste.

Many of the missing street signs have been replaced, but there are still more to be mounted. A majority of the signs have been placed on new 4 x 4 treated posts. This arrangement seems to do a better job of catching the eye and we think it is more attractive. At the intersection of Millers and Marsh Roads we used double-sized signs.

We just completed the drainage project near the Renzetti leasehold whose aim is to stop the erosion where surface runoff enters the creek and to handle better the anticipated increase in runoff from Woodland Lane. The scope of this job included repairing the erosion, removing obstructions from the existing ditch, lining it with riprap, carrying the existing path over the ditch with a small footbridge, and relocating the path. The path had in effect become a ditch and made for a difficult passage in wet weather. Our carry over agenda of drainage work includes the installation of gutters on the north side of Orleans between Harvey and Millers Roads and the installation

of a combination of gutters and swales along much of the length of the north side of Woodland Lane to carry storm water directly to the creek and thus alleviate leasehold flooding here.

To carry out the Orleans and Woodland Lane projects we have requested of the Budget Committee a one-time appropriation of \$25,000 for the 1991-1992 fiscal year. This would in effect come out of unspent civic committee appropriations from previous years. Since these projects may have a significant impact on adjacent leaseholders and will be of interest to residents in general an open meeting will be held, possibly before the next town meeting, to review these projects and to hear the comments of those concerned. For the meeting as much information as practical will be made available, but we would like to avoid extensive and expensive engineering and drafting charges.

Another serious drainage problem is the flooding of surface water from Harvey Road through the Memorial Garden to the neighboring leaseholds. For this last project we can report progress due to the persistence of Harold Monfort. Urged to try one more time with the State DOT whose responsibility is any drainage problem resulting from a state highway, he got a commitment in writing. I will read that letter.

Excerpts from letter from Glenn B. Pusey II, Maintenance Engineer to Harold Monfort re: Memorial Garden drainage problem.

"We will construct an earthen berm on the community side of the swale to provide a more positive control over the flow of storm drainage. Additionally, we will attempt to reopen and, if necessary, reconstruct the catch basin which previously existed adjacent to the intersection of the Sweep."

Harold has our gratitude for his efforts. He will get even more gratitude when the work is actually done.

During the summer a number of trees on common land which were hazards to people and/or property were taken down. The removal of a tree doesn't look like much of an accomplishment, but it is nevertheless necessary. At least the leaseholder firewood supply should be in good shape for this winter.

A trash removal fee increase of about 14% or \$1.35 per month per unit went into effect in July. The total increase amounts to \$3,600.00 per year. This results from a county landfill tipping fee increase and was anticipated. Arrow has not increased their charges. The appropriation for trash disposal proposed to the budget committee reflects this increase.

Osborn Maintenance has been advised that we want the road gutters vacuumed of leaves this fall. Last year they were delayed by bad weather and never managed to get it done.

This committee aims to develop a three to five year plan of action, but nothing is yet ready to emerge. We will need inputs from other groups particularly the planning committee.

Report: accepted.



Community Planning Committee: Ruth Bean

Met on August 30th and September 20th.

1. Due to conflicts in time the committee had to change its meeting date to the first Tuesday of each month.
2. We have asked the Arden Book writers to proceed with their re-writing in hopes that the budget will be passed and we will have the requested \$1,500 for printing by next April.
3. During the summer some of the Memorial Garden funds were used to erect a split rail fence between the Garden and the property owned by Marie Dugan, formerly Miriam Donovan's. This is a great improvement in that it clearly defines an area which is available for future grave sites. Many thanks to the volunteers who worked hard on a hot day.
4. The committee discussed Leon Tanzer's proposal re: an Arden flag at great length. We had a number of questions:
  1. How many in the Town favor the idea?
  2. If supported, where would it be located?
  3. Would it, Should it, be an Arden Flag or one representing the 3 Ardens?
  4. Who would be its caretaker and raise it and lower it?

At Advisory it was suggested by Mr. Press that a special ad hoc committee could be appointed to go into the details of these and other possible questions including costs and that this independent committee would report to the town. Our committee welcomes this suggestion. (Mr. Press has appointed Sally Thurston, Leon Tanzer & Barnes King to this committee to report their findings at March meeting)

5. We received another letter from DelDot re: Veale Road entrance and we have responded with a letter re: both minutes. So far no work appears to have been done. In our letter we requested more signs indicating 25 mph on the stretch from Marsh to Veale. Also Safety requested we ask for painted crosswalks and pedestrian crossing signs. We also expressed our concern re: legality of right turn on red at Marsh, Sherwood and Harvey, as raised by Tim Colgan at last meeting. Answer was received today - they refused more signs, refuted illegality of right turn from off Marsh and agreed to crosswalks and pedestrian signs but not until 1991.
6. We are asking anyone interested in an information meeting to discuss drainage problems on leaseholds to let us know. At this time we can get the services of a civil engineer, plus local expertise to provide a panel which would discuss problems and propose solutions. If there is enough interest shown - and I would like written questions please - then this meeting would be scheduled in November. The Civic and Buzz Ware Center committees will co-sponsor this forum.
7. We felt that Joan Colgan's suggestion regarding a sign to indicate that one is entering Arden is a good idea. We would like to know a bit more about details such as where, and what it would say. We wonder whose responsibility it would be to plan for such a sign.
8. I wish to read for the second time, a change in ordinance #13 section 4 to read: the Safety committee will enforce this ordinance and shall issue warning to violators at least 30 days before prosecuting them in the Courts of Delaware.

9. I also wish to read a change to ordinance # 4 for the third time: any party who violates this ordinance and/or refuses to remove litter or repair damage in a timely manner, shall be subject to a fine of \$50 and the amount of the clean-up.
10. Lew Aumack reported to us about upcoming issues before the CCOBH and has a brief report to the Town.

Tim Colgan and Elizabeth Varley were opposed to the change in ordinance #13 section 4. They felt since they were not involved in the original formation of the ordinance, and that since Community Planning administers all the other components of the ordinance, they should also issue the warning to violaters. The third reading will be at January Town Meeting.

Report and change to ordinance # 4 accepted.

Lew Aumack, one of Arden's appointed representatives to the Council of Civic Organizations of Brandywine Hundred (CCOBH) reported on current developments along Concord Pike.

Currently approved developments include:

- Brandywine Commons: Located across from the Brandywine Sheraton: completion next spring: to include 5 restaurants and 2 hotels.
- DuPont Fashion Center: Site of former A.I. duPont elementary school: to include up to 20 stores.
- Shoppes at Naamans: on Naamans across from Raceway: opened February 1990: approximately 9 retail stores.

Planned developments include:

- Brandywine Town Center: Site of former Raceway: 850,000 sq.ft shopping mall.
  - Woodlawn Trustees: Across from Concord Mall: a mixed use, low density plan for 285,000 sq.ft of shopping, 6000,000 sq.ft of offices and 400 apartments.
  - Expanded Concord Mall: 401,000 sq.ft addition to present 819,000 sq.ft mall: includes several new buildings (replacing Pathmark and Theatre) and 2nd floor.
  - Capano Retail strip and offices: North of Silverside and Concord Mall, bordering Brandywine Country Club: 128,000 sq.ft of offices
  - Rock Manor (Golf course) Mall: NE of Concord Pike and I-95: 1,500,000 sq.ft shopping mall and 300 room hotel.
- CCOBH Zoning Committee appears to give most support to the Woodlawn Trustee proposal and least to the Rock Manor Mall, although a formal vote of the general membership has not been taken.



- Brandywine Hundred School District Bus Depot Site:  
 Sites recently proposed included Concord High School (near the Raceway) and NE corner of Naamans and Marsh Roads: both have since been eliminated from consideration: neighbouring community groups launched strong emotional opposition to the sites, no one wanting such community resources in their neighborhoods (new emerging term: NIMBY, "Not-in-my-back-yard"). Lew's personal position (voiced at various CCOBH meetings) has been that all communities must be willing to take their fair share of "disreputable" social amenities (school depots, drug/alcohol/mental health half-way houses, battered-women's shelters, criminal rehabilitation centers, etc) as well as the more reputable amenities of parks, libraries and recreation centers.

Submitted by: Lew Aumack

Playground Report: Larry Walker

During the past quarter, the required three playground equipment inspections were made. All necessary repairs were made, and additional mulch put under the equipment to provide a shock absorbing bed for a person who might fall off the equipment. All of the equipment is in good condition, and has been tested for safety by having an adult use the piece of equipment.

The baseball backstop on the Village Green will be removed in March 1991 in preparation for the construction of a new backstop in the Spring. If anyone is interested in re-using the chain link fence sections on the old backstop, they should approach a member of the committee to arrange for the fence section to be saved. If there is no interest, an attempt will be made to have the metal delivered to a recycler.

Committee member Ted Heymann did not move from Arden as he expected, so he has remained on the Committee. The vacant position has not been filled, as the two other candidates from the last election have not agreed to serve the remaining term. Since only three quick inspections must be made before the next election, not filling the vacant position will have little serious effect on the remaining committee activities.

Report accepted.

Registration Report: Sally Hamburger

There are 407 registered voters as of tonight's meeting. The Welcoming Committee, sponsored by the Registration Committee met on 9/11/90. The meeting began with an exchange of ideas to get the new committee off the ground. All agreed a package of Arden items giving information would be a good beginning. The package would contain: The Arden Book, the Arden telephone directory, the current Club Calendar, the Arden Page, Club Membership flier and special voucher for a free club dinner. The dinner voucher would help to identify new residents for a special greeting at the dinner. The above items will go into a folder with Arden logo "You Are Welcome Hither" on the front.

Mary Ellen Jobson agreed to be the Chairperson for the new committee. The name "Village Van" was suggested.

Some suggestions:

1. We would like to match people with similar interests or age groups.
2. We will encourage new residents to join the Club and ask Gilds to cooperate. The Swin Gild could offer a free swin in the summer season, Ardensingers could offer a complimentary ticket or invite newcomers to work as ushers.
3. How about making the ARDEN MOVIE and THE BOLD POACHERS into a video?

Next meeting is scheduled for Thursday October 4, 7:30 PM BWVC.

Sally then read a letter from Pat Press, a member of the Registration committee in which she informed the committee that due to recent health problems, she would be unable to attend Registration committee meetings in the near future. She did however, express her wish to be of help to the committee as much as possible working from her home.

#### Advisory Committee Report: Marianne Cinaglia

Next meeting of the Officers of the 3 Ardens will be October 8 at Cinaglia's house.

Move to change the term of the Audit Committee members from one year to two years to bring the Committee in conformance with the terms of the other Arden Town Committees.

In March 1991, three committee members will be elected. The two residents with the highest number of votes would be elected for two years: the resident with the third highest number of votes would serve a one year term. In 1992, one member would be elected to a term of two years.

The Audit Committee shall consist of three residents of Arden, elected by a majority of those voting at the regular March meeting. The term shall be two years, two members to be elected on odd numbered years and one member on even numbered years.

The duties of the Audit Committee shall be to examine the Trust Account and the Municipal Street Aid Fund and submit its report at or before the June Town Assembly meeting. This supercedes all committee references to the duties and election procedure of this Audit Committee, September 24, 1990

In March 1991 the two nominees receiving the highest # of votes will serve the two year terms. The nominee receiving the 3rd highest votes will serve one year term.

Motion was approved.



Move that a brief optional statement, not to exceed three type written lines, of background and/or interests of each nominee for Town Office and Town Committee be included with the agenda of the March Town meeting.

There were many different opinions on this motion, here are a few:  
What can you say in 3 lines? Should not be mandatory.

Use a standard format, one or two key points.

Let people be creative and give a free statement.

Might have negative effect on people, difficult enough to get people to serve.

The information would be useful but on a flyer or second sheet, not on the ballot, then it would be optional.

New names on ballots do not get elected because no-one knows them.

Concern about the mechanics, if some-one does not submit a biography, would they be removed from the Ballot?

Serving on a Committee is a learning process, we do not need to know any-ones background.

The idea at the retreat was just a brief statement, not complicated, rather than just cold names listed.

The Town is too small for this type of politics.

It would be a good opportunity for a new person to say who they are.

Cy Liberman: " I move that this motion be tabled". Motion seconded and tabled.

#### Legislative Reference Committee: Mary Brent Whipple:

The Legislative Reference Committee met on September 18 to discuss how to add three committees to the Act to Reincorporate the Village of Arden. After comparing the March and January Town Meetings of 1968 and 1981 to check for inconsistencies in how the duties and responsibilities of the committees have been summarized, a new summary of the addendums to the Act to Reincorporate will be issued to all Village of Arden residents, by the next Town Meeting.  
Report Accepted.

#### Safety Committee: Elizabeth Varley

The Safety Committee has met every month since the last town meeting. We have continued to have New Castle County Police provide random extra patrols. We are working on the design of a form which will be used to notify people that they are illegally parked. The form will be the kind with three carbonless copies so that we can retain a record of each notice and if the same vehicle is in repeated violation, a copy of the records can be forwarded to the police for action. The final form should be ready to present to the town by the next town meeting.

Report Accepted .

Computer Investigation Committee Report: Susan Rohrbach

The Computer Investigation Committee is a temporary committee mandated by the June, 1990 Town Assembly. The town chairman was directed to appoint 5 committee members. Committee members are: Harold Monfort, Chairman, Susan Rohrbach, Leon Tanzer, Steven Threefoot and Mary Irons. The committee was directed to investigate need, use and possible purchase of a computer for the Village of Arden. The committee has met two times. At the first meeting a questionnaire was written and sent to all committee chair-persons, trustee's, town officers and assessors. Response was complete. At this time the committee members are studying questionnaires and will come to a future town meeting with suggestions.

Report accepted.

Arden Archives Report: Sally Hamburger

The Arden Archives Committee is working on the exhibit planned for October 14 ( a Sunday afternoon) from 1-5 PM in the upper Gild Hall. This is mostly a remounting of the exhibit for the National Trust in October, 1989. It will feature work by Marcus Aurelius Renzetti, Buzz Ware, Clara Finkelstein, Frank Stephens and many other past Arden artisans. We will also be showing works of current artists such as Sally Thurston and Bill Bailey, Connee and Russ McKinney, Sue and Ed Rohrbach and Bunni Hurlong. Since Sue Rohrbach is not available to mount the show this time, Margie Hamburger will do the job.

The purpose of this exhibit, in addition to sharing these treasures with all of you, is to kick-off our fund raising campaign. Our goal is to raise \$18,000 to meet our start-up budget. Copies of this budget are available tonight. We think it is a very modest amount in view of the scope of our vision. All residents of the three Ardens will receive a hand delivered invitation. In addition, we are mailing some 350 invitations to former residents and friends of the Ardens. Please let us know if you think of someone we should include in this list.

The Merry-Go-Rounders will be providing refreshments for this event. Please come and enjoy.

For tonight's show-and-tell, we are featuring two current Arden artists, Ed and Sue Rohrbach. Many of you have asked how "old" items must be to deserve inclusion in the archives - the answer is, history is not just yesterday, but today and tomorrow as well.

Report accepted.

Ms. Sandra Wright of Ardencroft then made a presentation in which she told the Town Assembly of Ms. Paulina Young's desire to donate her house and the contents to Arden. She explained that Ms. Young is elderly and is most anxious to know that the materials she has, and her house will be preserved for their historical content.



After listening to Ms. Wright's presentation and various comments at Town Assembly, Mr. Press made a motion that the Archives Committee get together with Ms. Wright and see what can be worked out and get back with this information at January Town Assembly.

A vote was then taken on closing the Woodlands from dusk to dawn - all in favor.

New Business

Ethel Monfort hoped that the Registration Committee would try to give Pat Press the kind of work she would be able to do from her home and recalled the years of service given by Mrs. Press to the Town.

A letter was sent to Mrs. Press to convey these thoughts.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:45 PM

Respectfully submitted by Irene M. O'Connor  
Town Assembly Secretary.

*Irene M. O'Connor*